

House File 561

H-1511

Amend House File 561 as follows:

1. Page 2, line 1, after <2.> by inserting <a.>

2. Page 2, after line 20 by inserting:

<b. The general assembly recognizes that to maximize the potential for significant job creation, economic development, and competitive advantage derived from a robust nuclear industry, a significant workforce is required to construct and operate new nuclear power plants. Such jobs include skilled trades, such as welders, pipe fitters, masons, carpenters, millwrights, sheet metal workers, electricians, and heavy equipment operators, in addition to nuclear reactor operators, radiation protection specialists, and nuclear, mechanical, and electrical engineers. In order for this state to lead the nation in developing this skilled workforce and to maximize economic development related to nuclear electric power generation, the general assembly intends for the state to undertake the following:

(1) Create and implement plans to assess and enhance educational and training systems to develop a next-generation nuclear workforce.

(2) Assess the adequacy and potential expansion of supply chain infrastructure to support the growing nuclear industry.

(3) Recommend steps to attract new nuclear-related businesses.

(4) Evaluate the economic development impact affordable nuclear electric power generation will have on the expansion and retention of existing industry.>

3. Page 9, after line 34 by inserting:

<Sec. \_\_\_\_ . NUCLEAR ELECTRIC POWER GENERATION — ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES — TASK FORCE. The governor shall appoint a task force to evaluate the economic development opportunities created through nuclear electric power generation in this state and to develop specific plans to maximize these opportunities. Task force members appointed by the governor shall include but not be limited to representatives from the state board of regents, the community colleges, the Iowa department of workforce development, the department of economic development, the department of education, and utility industry leaders. The governor shall appoint a chairperson from among the members. The task force shall submit a report summarizing its evaluation and containing recommendations to the general assembly by January 1, 2012.>

4. By renumbering as necessary.

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